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**Subject:** RE: DW info - NM, Navajo, and UT

Hi Corine –Is there a Mexican Hat community on the Navajo reservation as well? I was re-reading your email and wanted to clarify.

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On the 9:30 HQ/joint regions call today, I confirmed with the water SME from Region 6 (Andrea?) that Farmington continues to have adequate storage (45 days) to meet the demand of its customers since shutdown of its intakes.

Mexican Hat and Halchita:

Mexican Hat had its intakes taken off line prior to spill due to high turbid waters in the San Juan. Residents are receiving hauled water from an adjacent gw system, Olijato water system, located 35 miles southwest of Mexican Hat. The offering of hauled water for Halchita would likely be an extension of the water from the Olijato water system. Region 9 contractors are working with NNEPA to identify potential sampling sites (public, domestic). I'll let NNEPA know that Halchita is in need of water and have them work with Danny Fleming.

**From:** Bahrman, Sarah  
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Hi all –

I'm hoping to coordinate on the status of the various impacted DW systems along the Animas and San Juan Rivers. Marty & Joni – can you forward to EOCs in R6 and R9 who are coordinating the response? (I'm copying DW contacts here).

Region 6/Blake – I know you're working with NM on Aztec and Farmington, and there are efforts underway for private well owners to get their water tested as well. Do you have an update on how many days supply of finished water Aztec and Farmington have? When will they need to start using the Animas again?

Region 9/Corine - I heard from Don Hoffheins at the BLM (435-459-9461, [dhoffhei@blm.gov](mailto:dhoffhei@blm.gov)) that the town of Halchita on the Navajo reservation is requesting a water trailer as they have had a line break and are limited on water anyway. Wanted to make sure you were aware of that request and coordinating as needed with Don.

Region 9/Corine - Danny Fleming, the water master at Mexican Hat, UT, would also like to know what advice is being given to Halchita. Mexican Hat is across the river and is a ground water system with a membrane treatment plant. He offered to help provide water hauling assistance to Halchita residents if requested. Danny also has his own HACH kit and can do some monitoring. He'll measure metals, pH, and conductivity and compare to historical well data.

Please let me know what info I can relay back to Danny and UT this afternoon.

Thanks!  
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